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## BEFORE THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

COMPETITIVE PRODUCT PRICES
INBOUND COMPETITIVE MULTI-SERVICE AGREEMENTS WITH
FOREIGN POSTAL OPERATORS
PRIME UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TRACKED SERVICE
AGREEMENT (MC2010-34)
NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT

Docket No. CP2020-169

# NOTICE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE OF FILING ADDITIONAL ACCESSIONS TO INBOUND COMPETITIVE MULTI-SERVICE PRIME AGREEMENT (January 12, 2023)

In Order No. 5544,<sup>1</sup> the Postal Regulatory Commission (Commission or PRC) established Docket No. CP2020-169 to consider the United States Postal Service's (Postal Service) notice filed on June 11, 2020 (Notice) in this matter.<sup>2</sup> The Postal Service attached the "PRIME United States Postal Service Tracked Service Agreement" (referred to as the "PRIME Agreement") to its Notice.<sup>3</sup> Annex 4 of the PRIME Agreement consists of Deeds of Accession signed by certain foreign postal operators (FPOs).<sup>4</sup> The Postal Service also stated in its Notice that it would update this docket should additional FPOs accede to the PRIME Agreement and expected additional FPOs to accede beyond the intended (and since favorably reviewed) effective date of July 1, 2020.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> PRC Order No. 5544, Notice and Order Concerning Postal Service Filing of Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators, PRIME United States Postal Service Tracked Service Agreement, Docket No. CP2020-169, June 12, 2020, at 3-4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing Functionally Equivalent Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators, Docket No. CP2020-169, June 11, 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Notice, at Attachment 2 (PRIME United States Postal Service Tracked Service Agreement).

<sup>4</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Notice, at 5; PRC Order No. 5563, Order Approving Additional Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators, Docket No. CP2020-169, June 25, 2020, at 8.

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At this time, the Postal Service provides notice to the Commission that two additional FPOs have acceded to the PRIME Agreement. The Postal Service attaches to this notice as Attachments 1 and 2 the Deeds of Accession executed by these FPOs. The FPOs executed these Deeds of Accession on December 12, 2022 and December 14, 2022, respectively. Unless the Commission determines otherwise, the Postal Service proposes that the effective date of these accessions be February 1, 2023.

The Postal Service maintains that the identities of the counterparty-FPOs to the PRIME Agreement in Attachments 1 and 2 should remain confidential and incorporates by reference the Application for Non-Public Treatment filed with its Notice in this docket.<sup>6</sup> The redacted copy of these attachments are filed publicly, while the unredacted versions are filed under seal for the Commission's review.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Notice, at Attachment 1 (Application of United Postal Service for Non-Public Treatment of Materials).

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION PRIME Tracked Service Agreement

Annex 4

#### Annex 4: Deed of Accession

### THE UNDERSIGNED "ACCEDING PARTY"

[name of the postal operator],

Requests admission to the PRIME United States Postal Service Tracked Service Agreement.

The accession is effective upon approval by the United States Postal Service, from July 1st 2020 or at the beginning of the next quarter after the signature is received by the Head of PRIME, unless an earlier date is approved by both the United States Postal Service and the Acceding Party.

The Acceding Party agrees to be bound by all of the provisions of such PRIME USPS Service Agreement.



#### Annex 4: Deed of Accession

### THE UNDERSIGNED "ACCEDING PARTY"



The effective date of this Deed of Accession is subject to approval by the United States Postal Service, which shall be communicated separately in writing to the Acceding Party.

The Acceding Party agrees to be bound by all of the provisions of such PRIME USPS Service Agreement.

